

# Luxury Travel Holdings Fact Sheet

Founded: Villas of Distinction –1988 (acquired by World Travel Holdings in 2005)

VillaRental.com – 2011 (founded by World Travel Holdings)

Jamaica Villas - 1985 (fully acquired in 2015)

Italy Villas – July 2023 (founded by Luxury Travel Holdings)

**Key Executives:** Brad Tolkin, Co-Chairman and CEO

Jeff Tolkin, Co-Chairman and CEO Andy Kaye, General Manager

Steve Lassman, Vice President, Villa Product & Agency Relations

Number of Specialists: More than 25 villa specialists and 15 concierges participate in extensive recurrent

training including visits to the villas and destinations enabling them to provide first-hand knowledge to their clients. Each client has a personal concierge who ensures any service or excursion needed to enhance their vacation is provided

for them seamlessly.

**Industry Leader:** Luxury Travel Holdings' villa brands offer more than 3,000 of the world's finest

villas and estate homes which have been fully vetted and inspected. The villas offered range in size from 1-42 bedrooms in more than 60 destinations worldwide, making this division a leader in the industry with one of the most extensive portfolios of luxury villa rentals in the market without charging a

membership fee.

**Travel Agent Networks:** The Villas of Distinction brand distributes to a wide network of more than 100,000

travel agents and customers. In addition, Villas of Distinction is a preferred villa supplier with the Virtuoso, Signature Travel Network, Travelsavers, Ensemble Travel, Travel Leaders Select, WESTA, and other private-label villa programs while VillaRental.com, Jamaica Villas and Italy Villas sells direct to the consumer.

About Villas of Distinction: Villas of Distinction®, as part of World Travel Holdings, is an award-winning, full-

service villa experience creator with an exclusive portfolio of vetted and inspected villas in more than 60 destinations worldwide including the United States, Caribbean, Mexico, Europe, Central America, and beyond. Many villas feature excellent staff and state-of-the-art amenities – like private pools, home theaters, in-villa game rooms, and fitness centers. The luxury villa provider has gained its guests' trust by ensuring every villa meets strict standards so that each home exceeds expectations. Since 1989, the Villas of Distinction team have made vacation planning effortless by pairing travelers find their perfect vacation home and curating one-of-a-kind getaways at the world's top villas. Travel Advisors have named Villas of Distinction as the Gold winner for "Best Villa"

Rental Company Overall" in the annual Travvy Awards since 2015.

www.VillasofDistinction.com

**About VillaRental.com:** VillaRental.com, as part of World Travel Holdings, is a full-service luxury villa

provider dedicated to helping travelers craft an authentic, unique vacation at an

excellent value. Experienced agents match guests with their perfect villa rental while offering firsthand knowledge and insider advice on the 60 destinations and more than 3,000 villas offered. From there, each guest receives a full-service concierge that plans a guest's vacation from start to finish by booking tailored amenities and planning customized excursions. www.VillaRental.com

**About Jamaica Villas:** 

Founded in 1985, Jamaica Villas is synonymous with luxury villa rentals. What began as a project to renovate a home-away-from-home is now the leader in Jamaica villa vacations. Offering world-class fully staffed villas throughout Montego Bay, Ocho Rios, Discovery Bay, and beyond, Jamaica Villas is known for creating premier, authentic, and immersive experiences for a wide range of guests. Moreover, Jamaica Villas sets a standard of excellence for Jamaica villa vacations, going above and beyond industry norms. From hands-on training with villa staff to impeccable locations, décor, and concierge services, Jamaica Villas gives guests the opportunity to live the island life and experience Jamaica. www.JamaicaVillas.com

**About Italy Villas:** 

Italy Villas, which is owned and operated by Luxury Travel Holdings, is a full-service villa provider that offers a curated selection of luxury villas and tailor-made experiences in Italy's most desirable destinations. From Tuscany to the Amalfi Coast and beyond, each villa is handpicked to ensure an authentic and unforgettable stay. And with a concierge team of local experts, every guest's experience is personally crafted to their wishes. Discover a world of privacy, luxury, and incredible experiences in one of the world's most alluring destinations: Italy. www.ltalyVillas.com

About World Travel Holdings:

World Travel Holdings is the nation's largest cruise agency and award-winning leisure travel company with a portfolio of nearly 40 diverse brands. In addition to owning some of the largest brands distributing cruises, villas, resort vacations, car rentals, resort day passes and luxury travel services, World Travel Holdings has a vast portfolio of private-label partnerships comprised of top leisure travel providers, including almost every U.S. airline, leading hotel brands and prominent corporations. The company also operates a top-rated travel agency franchise and is consistently recognized as an industry leader in employee engagement and work-at-home employment. Its global presence includes operating multiple cruise brands in the United Kingdom. World Travel Holdings has offices in Wakefield, Mass.; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; and Chorley, England. For more information, visit WorldTravelHoldings.com.

Awards:

Villas of Distinction has been recognized with numerous awards including Gold and Silver Travvy Awards for Best Villa Rental Company Overall and Best Vacation Packager Luxury; *Travel Weekly* Magellan Award; *Condé Nast Traveller*, The Best Villa Rental Companies; *Ocean Home Magazine*, Best Luxury Travel; The French Awards by Atout France, Tour Operator of the Year; Atout France, Best Tour Operator of the Year; and *Condé Nast Traveler*, Favorite Villa Company.

Jamaica Villas has been recognized as Top Villa Rental Specialist for Jamaica; and *Travel + Leisure*, Listed on the Global Guide to the Top 40 All-Star Villa Agencies in the World.

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 $\label{eq:composition} \mbox{Villas of Distinction} - \underline{\mbox{www.villasofdistinction.com}}$ 

VillaRental.com – <u>www.villarental.com</u> Jamaica Villas – <u>www.jamaicavillas.com</u> Italy Villas – <u>https://www.italyvillas.com/</u>

World Travel Holdings - www.worldtravelholdings.com

**Social Media:** 

#### Facebook

- Villas of Distinction
- VillaRental.com
- Jamaica Villas
- Italy Villas
- World Travel Holdings

## Twitter

- Villas of Distinction <u>@DistinctVillas</u>
- VillaRental.com @villarental3
- World Travel Holdings @WTH Inc

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